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(ADVANCE) WASHINGTON, FEB. 17 (AP)-ALLEN DULLES, FORMER DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, IN AN ARTICLE RELEASED TODAY, WRITES OF THE "FRIGHTENING POWER" HELD BY SECRET POLICE OVER THE LIVES AND LIBERTIES OF SOVIET CITIZENS.

TO ILLUSTRATE THE EFFECTS OF SUCH POWER, DULLES WRITES:

"IT IS NO SURPRISE, THEN, THAT THE SOVIET INTELLIGENCE OFFICER HIMSELF ACQUIRES A HARSH, MERCILESS ATTITUDE. THERE IS NO BETTER EXAMPLE OF THIS THAN THE STORY TOLD ABOUT ONE OF STALIN'S INTELLIGENCE CHIEFS, GENERAL V.S. ABAKUMOV. DURING THE WAR, ABAKUMOV'S SISTER WAS PICKED UP SOMEWHERE IN RUSSIA ON A MINOR BLACK-MARKETING CHARGE, OR 'SPECULATOIN.' IN VIEW OF HER CLOSE CONNECTION TO A MAN AS POWERFUL AS ABAKUMOV, THE POLICE OFFICIALS MAKING THE ARREST SENT A MESSAGE TO ASK HIM HOW HE WOULD LIKE THE CASE HANDLED. THEY FULLY EXPECTED HE WOULD REQUEST THE CHARGE BE DROPPED. INSTEAD, HE RELIABLY REPORTED TO HAVE WRITTEN ON THE MEMORANDUM THAT HAD BEEN SENT HIM: 'WHY DO YOU ASK ME? DON'T YOU KNOW YOUR DUTY? SPECULATION DURING WARTIME IS TREASON. SHOOT HER."

DULLES DOESN'T SAY WHETHER THE WOMAN WAS EXECUTED BUT NOTES THAT ABAKUMOV WAS AFTER STALIN'S DEATH.

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